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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the patent application of

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For: VIDEO ENCODING APPARATUS, VIDEO ENCODING METHOD,
AND FRAME RATE CONVERSION APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- [x] Application Data Sheet.
- [x] Eleven (11) sheets of formal drawings, Figures 1-11.
- [] An Assignment of the invention to MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD..
- [x] Certified copy of Japanese application No. 2001-064368 filed March 8, 2001.
- [] A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- [x] This application is not entitled to small entity status.
- [] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- [] An Information Disclosure Statement.
- [x] The executed Declaration and Assignment and full filing fees will follow in due course.

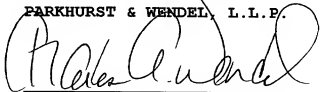
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